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Ms. Marlene Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Meeting; CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On March 28, 2006, the following representatives of the National Exchange Carriers Association and Cass County Telephone Co. LP ("CassTel") met with the following representatives of the Wireline Competition Bureau:

Gina Spade (FCC)
Narda Jones (FCC)
Jeremy Marcus (FCC)

Regina McNeil (NECA)
Jim Frame (NECA)
Joe Douglas (NECA)

Randy Lowe (CassTel)

At the meeting, we discussed the matter of CassTel; in particular, the impact of its activities on settlements and USF and the nature and status of proceedings concerning CassTel that are currently before the Missouri Public Service Commission and the Kansas Corporation Commission.

Should any questions arise concerning this matter, please communicate directly with the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

~~CASS COUNTY TELEPHONE CO. LP~~


Randall B. Lowe

cc.: Narda Jones, Jeremy Marcus, Gina Spade, Regina McNeil